REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 8 and 9 are amended. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

The Notice of Allowance indicates that claims 1-10 are allowable. Specifically, the Reasons for Allowance indicates that none of the references disclose or suggest "a transflective layer, which is disposed on an inner side of the lower substrate, that reflects and transmits a portion of light incident upon the liquid crystal panel."

Claims 1, 8 and 9 are amended to replace "transflective layer" with --reflective layer-to clarify the language of the claims so that they are consistent with the language of the specification. See paragraph [0098] of the specification. A reflective layer may include an opening (transmission area) for transmitting light at positions other than where the reflective layer is disposed. See at least paragraphs [0168] and [0179]. Claim 1 is also amended to include this feature. No new matter is added. Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 1-10 are allowable.

II. Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-10 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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